SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY: So far as the Government employees are concerned, they are given certain incentives to adopt this method. The maternity leave in respect of women is not given to those who have more than two children.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Second supplementary.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: He did not finish his reply, Sir. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Sir, the hon. Minister in his statement has said there would be reduction in interest payable on house building advance. That is a very minimal thing. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether the Government would consider giving some priority in different matters to those Government employees who go in for the small family norm. I want to know what the Government is specifically going to do regarding giving certain holiday packages to such parents and also whether the Government would consider making some reservation for promotion of those people who go in for the small family norm.

SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY: Sir, these are grant of a special increment...

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Sir, he says, "special increment in the form of personal pay." The answer must be specific. He should make it clear to the House. I am asking: "What incentives?" I ask whether it would be just left to the whims of the officers concerned or there will be a statutory scheme for that.

SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY: Sir, maternity leave of a longer duration up to two children will be given with the stipulation that no maternity leave will be available for additional pregnancies. Ten per cent of the pay is sanctioned in advance in respect of pension and gratuity benefits to those employees who accept the two child family norm, and there is grant of cash award to female workers.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over. (*Interruptions*)

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Ground facilities at Airports

*86. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that existing ground facilities at many airports in the country are inadequate; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to improve these facilities?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) While our airports have the essential ground facilities, it is true that many of our airports require modernisation and upgradation. Such upgradation and modernisation of ground facilities is an on going process involving heavy investment in equipment, manpower and maintenance. The upgradation and modernisation of the ground facilities available at our airports is constantly receiving the attention of the Government.

आयुर्वेद पद्धति में शोध को प्रोत्साहन

*87. श्री राम जेठमलानी :
सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :

क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 11 जनवरी, 1990 के "ट्रिब्यून" में 'अमृत कलश कैन प्रिवेन्ट ब्रेस्ट कैंसर" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और सरकार की इस संबंध में क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने आयुर्वेद पद्धति में शोध को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए कोई नए कदम उठाये हैं ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री नीममणि राउतराय) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) यह दावा किया गया है कि जड़ी-बूटी से बने एक खाद्य पौष्टिक, जिसका नाम "अमृत कलश" है, चूहों पर किए गए प्रयोगशाला अध्ययनों में स्तन कैंसर की रोकथाम हुई है। इस बात के वैज्ञानिक प्रमाण अपर्याप्त हैं।

(ग) और (घ) आयुर्वेद के विभिन्न पहलुओं में केन्द्रीय आयुर्वेद और सिद्ध अनुसंधान परिषद् द्वारा अनुसंधान किया जा रहा है।

वे आयुर्वेद के विभिन्न पहलुओं पर नैदानिक अनुसंधान, औषध अनुसंधान, औषध मानकीकरण, औषधीय पादपों का सर्वेक्षण, मौलिक अनुसंधान आदि कर रहे हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान अनुसंधान परिषद् चुनिंदा रोगों पर आयुर्वेदिक औषधों की प्रभावकारिता पर भी अनुसंधान करती है।

Reduction in the prices of drugs

*88. SHRI P. N. SUKUL:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Financial Express of the 14th February, 1990, captioned 'Drug Industry told to cut prices';

(b) whether Government ha ve recently reduced the prices of ce rtain finished medicines;

(c) if so, what are the names of the finished medicines whose prices have been reduced during January and February, 1990; and

(d) What are the earlier price and the present price in each case?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Government have recently reduced prices of certain formulations based on following bulk drugs which have been put under price control w.e.f. 27-02-1990.

1. Chlorpromazine
2. Thioridazine
3. Trifluperazine
4. Amitryptyline
5. Impiramine
6. Trimipramine
7. Triprolidine
8. Polymixin B. Sulphate
9. Glipizide
10. Pyrithyldione
11. Zinc Bacitracin
12. Mitomycin
13. Tolnafatate
14. Fluocinolone Acetonide
15. Carbenicillin Sodium
16. Oxyfedrine Hcl.
17. Hysoline N Butyl Bromide
18. Triamlinolone
19. Naproxen
20. Pyrithoxine
21. L. Dopa

However, no price was reduced by the Government in respect of any formulation during January and February, 1990.